

### Nerve agent VX projectiles



*Anniston Chemical Activity and Anniston Chemical Agent Disposal Facility workers will soon begin the VX-filled 155mm projectile demilitarization campaign. VX disposal operations are expected to resume in early June ('07). VX-filled 155mm projectiles are similar to the GB-filled 155mm projectiles that were safely demilitarized at the ANCDF two years ago.*

### Key Messages

- ◆ The Anniston chemical munition stockpile is safely stored and maintained by the employees of the Anniston Chemical Activity (ANCA) under the command of Lt.Col. Phillip M. Trued, Jr.
- ◆ Disposal is safer than indefinite storage.
- ◆ Since 1990, more than 12,690 tons of chemicals and more than 1,840,300 munitions have been safely incinerated at U.S. Army facilities.
- ◆ The U.S. Army **IS** committed to the safety of the community and the environment.



### Maintenance employees check for safety

*Change over nearly complete, operations to resume*

More than 27,000 man hours of work has been performed at the ANCDF in preparation for the resumption of nerve agent disposal operations. Casey Knighton (l) and Kenny Kirk, Westinghouse Anniston technicians above, ensure all safety actions have been completed before working on a water pump during recent change over activities. (Sholin)

### Anniston Milestones

- ◆ **July 23, 2006 ~ March 8, 2007:** VX-filled M55 rocket disposal operations safely demilitarize all 35,662 rockets and warheads. Additionally, more than 41,056 gallons of VX have been processed.
- ◆ **August 9, 2003 ~ March 2, 2006:** Safe disposal operations demilitarize all 142,428 GB munitions and 874,436 pounds (96,246 gallons) of GB nerve agent.
- ◆ **1997 ~ 2001:** The Pentagon spends more than \$340 million to build the ANCDF.
- ◆ **1997:** Chemical Weapons Convention (treaty) ratified.
- ◆ **1996:** The Pentagon hires Westinghouse Anniston to build, test, operate, and close the ANCDF.
- ◆ **1961:** Anniston Army Depot begins chemical munitions storage mission.



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